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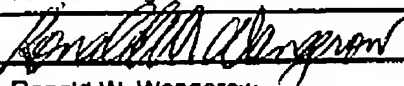
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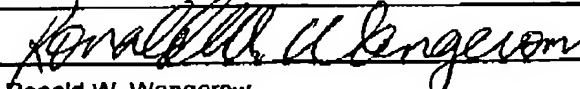
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Group Art Unit: 1711

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 7, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action, extending the period of response through and including March 7, 2005. A Credit Card Payment Form is attached herewith for this purpose. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed under the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

**Restriction/Election Requirement**

In the Office Action, the Examiner subjected the pending claims (1-50) to a Restriction Requirement, stating that Claims 1-11 (Group I), Claims 12-24 (Group I), Claims 25-30 (Group

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III), Claims 31-52 (Group IV), Claims 53-70 (Group V), Claims 71-80 (Group VI), Claims 81-82 (Group VII), Claims 83-85 (Group VIII), and Claims 86-95 (Group IX) are all drawn to distinctly different inventions from each other, and required Applicant to elect one of the Groups. Accordingly, Applicant hereby elects to continue the prosecution of the claims of Group I (Claims 1-11), and hereby cancels the claims of Groups II-IX (Claims 12-95). This election is made with traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to continue prosecution of Groups II-IX (Claims 12-95) in Divisional applications which will claim priority from the instant application.

#### CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (734) 354-5445.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: Feb. 9, 2005

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